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Experience

Senior Vice President and Deputy Director, Federal Public Affairs McGUIREWOODS CONSULTING, LLC

2012-Present

Washington, D.C.

- Principal deputy leader of a fast-growing federal government relations team consistently ranked in the top 20 out of 1,900 lobbying firms in Washington, D.C.
- Joined McGuireWoods Consulting as a Vice President; promoted to Senior Vice President in 2015 and Deputy Director in 2017.
- Registered lobbyist in Washington, D.C. and North Carolina with \$1.8 million book of business.
- Advises a diverse group of clients including Fortune 500 companies, start-ups and trade
 associations before Congress and the Executive branch on navigating complex federal policy and
 public affairs. Experienced in an array of policy issues including agriculture, trade, critical
 infrastructure, environment and energy.
- Lead consultant for McGuireWoods Consulting's single largest anchor client. Additionally manages five different client service teams.
- Led the team of consultants advising the largest acquisition of a U.S. company by a Chinese company in history. Navigated unprecedented regulatory and political scrutiny of the transaction including Hart-Scott-Rudino and CFIUS review, a U.S. Senate hearing, and an investigation by the House Committee on Energy & Commerce to complete the deal on time and with no mitigation.
- Built successful comprehensive public affairs strategies (lobbying, grassroots/grasstops, and communications) in support of major infrastructure projects and multi-year litigation.
- Headed MWC's Federal Strategic Initiatives in 2017 to increase practice group revenue by 10%+ and make eight new strategic hires, including onboarding a new Emerging Technologies team.
- Produced the McGuireWoods Consulting Strategic Plan for 2016-2019, building internal consensus on top initiatives and priorities to ensure sustainable growth and culture.
- Directed the inaugural McGuireWoods Consulting "Emerging Leaders Retreat" in 2015 to train and mentor junior staff.

Legislative Director

2007-2012

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE G. K. BUTTERFIELD

Washington, D.C. and North Carolina

- Senior legislative strategist and policy advisor to a member of Democratic House Leadership, a member of the powerful Energy & Commerce Committee, and the incoming Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) Chair.
- Hired as a Legislative Correspondent, promoted to Legislative Assistant in 2007 and Legislative Director in 2011.
- Developed the Member's first-ever legislative plan, focused on improving access to healthcare, telecommunications, infrastructure investment and job creation in Eastern North Carolina.
- Led negotiations for the Member's priorities in key legislation including the "American Clean Energy & Security Act" and the "Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act."
- Served as the staff lead for the Congressional Black Caucus's Agriculture Task Force, which won comprehensive reforms in the 2007 Farm Bill, including reopening the landmark *Pigford* discrimination case for 84,000 unjustly denied claimants.
- Drafted and fostered successful House consideration of the "EPA Regulatory Relief Act" to address constituent concerns with industrial boiler regulations.
- Drafted the "Farmers' Disaster Assistance Act" to help North Carolina producers immediately access recovery funds in the wake of over \$350 million in crop losses in 2011.
- Managed the five-member legislative team.

Education

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL

2006

B.A Interdisciplinary Studies; Minor, Creative Writing. Graduated with Highest Honors and distinction

Activities

Treasurer, North Carolina Democratic Club of Washington, DC; North Carolina State Society of Washington; Tar Heel Circle of Washington; Volunteer, Capital Area REACH Program; Volunteer, Martha's Table